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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

 (Currently amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule encodes encoding [[for]] a human p-Hyde protein, comprising the nucleic acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID No. 1.

2-6 (Cancelled)

- 7. (Currently Amended) The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 1, wherein the nucleic acid is DNA [[, or RNA]].
- 8-9 (Cancelled)
- 10 (Previously amended) The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 1, wherein the nucleic acid is labeled with a detectable marker
- 11. (Previously amended) The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 10, wherein the detectable marker is a radioactive, colorimetric, luminescent, fluorescent marker, or gold label.
- 12-17 (cancelled)
- 18. (Previously amended) A vector comprising the isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 1.
- 19 (Currently amended) The vector of claim 18, further comprising [[an]] a regulatory element operatively linked to the nucleic acid molecule.
- 20 (Previously amended) The vector of claim 19, wherein the regulatory element comprises a bacterial, yeast, insect or mammalian promoter.
- 21 (Previously amended) The vector of claim 20, wherein the vector is a plasmid, cosmid, yeast artificial chromosome (YAC), bacterial artificial chromosome (BAC), adenovirus, adeno-associated virus, retovirus, P1, bacteriophage or eukaryotic viral DNA

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- 22 (Currently amended) The adenovirus vector of claim 21, wherein the adenovirus said vector is a replication-deficient adenovirus type 5 expression vector.
- 23 (Previously amended) The adenovirus vector of claim 22, wherein the adenovirus vector comprises an adenovirus genome wherein the p-Hyde gene is inserted within a deletion in the E1 and E3 region of the genome.
- 24 (Previously amended) The vector of claim 19, wherein the regulatory element is a Rous Sarcoma virus promoter.
- 25 (Currently amended) A <u>cell host vector system for the production of a polypeptide which comprises comprising</u> the vector of claim 18 in a suitable host
- 26 (Currently amended) The host vector system cell of claim 25, wherein said cell [[the]] suitable host is a prokaryotic prokaryotic or eukaryotic cell.
- 27. (Currently amended) The host vector system cell of claim [[26]] 25, wherein said the eukaryotic cell is a yeast, insect, plant or mammalian cell.
- 28-54 (cancelled)
- 55. (Currently amended) [[The]] An isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim-1 having comprising a nucleic acid sequence which shares at least 85% identity with complementary to the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1
- 56 (Currently amended) [[The]] An isolated nucleic acid molecule of olaim-1 having comprising a nucleic acid sequence which shares at least 95% identity with complementary to the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1
- 57-58 (cancelled)
- 59. (Previously amended) The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 7, wherein said_DNA is cDNA or genomic DNA.
- 60. (Currently amended) [[The]] An isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 1, encoding an amino acid sequence having comprising the sequence as set for the in SEQ ID NO. 2

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61-63 (cancelled)